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SUBJECT: FY 1974 REGIONAL LABOR EXCHANGE

REF: STATE 151149 AND PREVIOUS

1. JOHN DUCKER NOT AVAILABLE TO ACCEPT AFL-CIO INVITATION. BEFORE APPROACHING ALTERNATE KEN STONE WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST FRANK MITCHELL WHO SUCCEEDED TOM DOUGHERTY AS GENERAL SECRETARY, AUSTRALIAN WORKERS UNION (AWU) WHEN DOUGHERTY DIED LAST OCTOBER. MITCHELL 49 YEARS OLD IS QUIET MAN WHO IS EMERGING AS FORCEFUL LEADER OF SECOND LARGEST AUSTRALIAN UNION WITH 140,000 MEMBERS. HE UNDOUBTEDLY REFLECTS MOST OF DOUGHERTY'S ATTITUDES ON POLITICAL AND SOCIAL QUESTIONS, BUT HAS ALREADY EARNED REPUTATION AS INNOVATOR. WHILE ACTIVE WITHIN ACTU AND AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY, MITCHELL COULD BE CHARACTERIZED AS MODERATE AND INDEPENDENT. LABATT FEELS THAT IF INVITATION EXTENDED IT WILL BE ACCEPTED AND THAT ACTU CAN BE COUNTED ON TO ENDORSE MITCHELL'S PARTICIPATION IN AFL-CIO EXERCISE.

2. DEPARTMENT FOR SENSER (EA):

AFL-CIO WILL REMEMBER THAT FRANK MITCHELL WAS SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION EARLIER THIS YEAR BETWEEN LEADER GRANTEE
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FRANK ROBERTS AND ERNIE LEE.

3. WILL NOT CONTACT STONE PENDING REPLY.
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